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LOCAL GATHERINGS.

—Christmas holly at Randall's drug store.
—The banks will observe Christmas by closing next Saturday.
—Barbour's Business College closes Friday for a week's vacation.
—The post office, the Museum and the Athenaeum will celebrate Christmas by closing Monday. The CALEDONIAN office will observe the day by closing Saturday noon.

—The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be held next Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, in the Y. M. C. A. Parlors. All ladies are cordially invited.

—The North church calendars are on sale at Bingham's drug store, C. E. Simanton's and the Brooks-Tyler store. Price 60 cents, not 50 cents as stated last week. Add six cents for postage if ordered by mail.

—J. P. Haley of Woodsville comes here this evening to open a dancing school. Quite a number have signified their intention of joining and as Mr. Haley comes well recommended rapid progress may be expected.

—The second meeting of the Y. M. C. A. singing class will be held this evening. The class has started off under very favorable auspices, but it there are any who still wish to join they will be gladly welcomed this evening.

—Last Wednesday morning was the sharpest day this month, the mercury registering 30 degrees below zero in some places. Fortunately the cold wave was of short duration and the weather has been delightful ever since.

—The people of this town have received a rare treat the past week in the art and painted china exhibits of Misses Winifred Rowell and Rebecca Bullard. Their exhibits were superior to those of last year and many dainty Christmas gifts were found in their displays. Miss Rowell's novelties remain on sale during the week at 4 Main street.

Fell in a Fit.

As two young girls were walking on Railroad street Saturday night an accident occurred to one of them which greatly frightened the other and which made the crowd, which quickly gathered, think the girl was dead. Miss Jennie Rancour was passing the Boston store and suggested that they buy some candy. As she said this Miss Rancour fell backwards and her friend thought she had slipped, but a gentleman came along and said that she was dead. She was carried to her home and laid in a chamber for dead. A visitor came Sunday and upon looking at the body discovered that the girl was not dead. The young lady was perfectly rigid when she fell and remained so until Monday morning, about 5 o'clock, when she awakened and at 11 o'clock took the train for her home in Canada. She was about 20 years old and has been subject to these fits for some time but never was asleep for such a period of time before.

Business College Notes.

Where they will spend Christmas: H. C. Holbrook, Littleton, N. H.; C. L. A. Goss, Barnet; Miss Barr, Cabot; F. C. Varnum & Peabody; W. J. Campbell, Barton; Robert Duncan, McIndoe; Ernest Shepherd, Passumpsic.
Miss Mabel Holton having resigned her position as stenographer in the office of the Dairy Association at Lyndonville, Miss Helen Prude, who has acted as assistant, has been appointed to her position.
F. B. Cushman is a recent student.

Two Incipient Fires.

Just as the clerks were closing up the store at George H. Cross' bakery last Wednesday night fire was discovered in the boiler room and had it not been for prompt work on the part of the boys a serious fire would have resulted. The fire caught from the proximity of the woodwork to the furnace.
A similar fire caught in Estabrooks' store the next night, the woodwork lighting around the hot air pipe which heats the store. As this occurred when the store was open it was quickly extinguished.

At Fairbanks Village.

Daniel Hayes is dangerously ill with pneumonia.
Thomas Wilkie is quite sick with erysipelas.
Mrs. Simeon Albee of St. Johnsbury Center is visiting her grand daughter, Mrs. James Walker.
Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Conley expect to begin housekeeping at No. 3 High street this week.
May Dunning of Kirby is visiting at J. E. Courter's.

Gov. Page's Calendar.

Gov. Page of Hyde Park of calf skin fame never does anything by halves and his 1899 calendar is the biggest and best of all his former efforts. It is printed in colors, red predominating, and the figures can be easily distinguished, by actual trial, more than 100 feet. The calendar will be sent to any address on receipt of 10 cents in silver. Address, Carroll S. Page, Hyde Park, Vt.

PERSONALS.

Miss Ethel Pierce is working in Field & Rowell's store this week.
Allan S. Holbrook of Newport visited his St. Johnsbury friends this week.
Carl Green is clerking for E. L. Hunt & Co. during the Christmas holidays.
Mrs. Miranda Cheney of Lunenburg is visiting her son Dr. George P. Cheney.
Frank C. Mattern leaves Saturday for his home in Boston to spend a few days.
Mrs. J. W. Sault has gone to Northwood Narrows, N. H., to spend the holidays.
J. B. Burbank of Danville, P. Q., is visiting his son and daughter during the holidays.
Mrs. W. H. Robie went to South Fairlee yesterday, called there by the illness of relatives.

Miss Goodwin is spending the Christmas vacation with her sister at Williams-town, Mass.

Mr. Johnson, of the Academy, has gone to his home in Methuen, Mass., to pass the holidays.

Miss Charlotte Fairbanks of the Wellesley College faculty is spending Christmas at Elmwood.

Miss Winifred Rowell left Monday morning for Barre where she will hold a sale of her paintings.

Miss Anna Somerville and Calvin Brown have been engaged to clerk in C. E. Simanton's store this week.

Miss Jennie Stevenson and George Wilkie will be married at the home of the bride on Pine street this evening.

Miss Bertha Estabrook returned to her home in Lebanon, N. H., Monday morning after a short visit with friends.

Mrs. Smith and daughter Ruth have returned for the winter after an absence of over two years. Rooms at 13 Church street.

Samuel W. Robertson of Woodsville, principal of the high school there, was an interested visitor at our own schools last Friday.

W. W. S. Browne entertained a few friends last Wednesday evening with a graphophone concert at his residence on Webster street.

Miss Ellen M. Cushman returns home the last of the week, from Dow Academy, Franconia, where she has been preceptress the past term.

L. M. Fullington was called to Johnson Monday by the death of his wife. Mrs. Fullington was about 50 years old and died of consumption.

Senator C. H. Stearns of Johnson was in town Monday working in the interest of the new mileage law which effects the St. J. & L. C. railroad.

Charles Adams, adjuster for the Massachusetts Mutual Accident Association, was in town last week and settled claims for the company.

Mrs. G. F. Cheney and daughter, Hortense, are spending the holidays at Randolph. Dr. Cheney will join them there the last of the week.

Mrs. Herbert Hawley and infant child are spending the week with Mr. Hawley's parents at Miles Pond. Mr. Hawley will spend Christmas with them there.

Miss Nina Elms, a pupil of Barbour's Business College, who has been sick with typhoid fever at the hospital, is so far recovered as to be able to leave the hospital.
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hastings of Waitsfield are visiting Mrs. Hastings' brother, Harvein Padlock. They leave soon for Minneapolis where they will spend the winter.

Alfred C. Weston, valedictorian of the Academy class of 1894, has been chosen as one of the two representatives from Princeton College in the intercollegiate chess tournament.

Lambert Packard and family were called to Methuen, Mass., Monday morning to attend the funeral of Mrs. Packard's sister, Mrs. Stephen Currier, which was held Tuesday.
Miss Abbie, who has been clerking for E. L. Hunt & Co., was obliged to go to her home in Bradford Friday, on account of sickness. Her place is supplied by Miss Maude H. Clarke.

Aston R. Willard's new book entitled "History of Modern Italian Art" made its appearance last week from the press of Longmans, Green & Co. It is a comprehensive and critical survey of the field and is fully illustrated.

Charles F. Mathewson of New York, one of the class leaders of '78 at the Academy, attended the banquet to President McKinley at the Atlanta peace jubilee on Dec. 15 and was honored by a seat at the president's table.

Among the students home for the holidays are: Wellington Tinker, Downer Newell, Harry Cross, Robert Smith, Guy Abbott, Misses Laila McNeil, Marjory Peabody, Cornelia Fairbanks, Lena Annis, Lucie Heath, Ethel Comstock and Helen C. Stevens.

The many friends of Arthur M. Knapp of the Boston Public Library will be saddened to learn that he received a paralytic shock last week and is still in a critical condition. He is a native of St. Johnsbury and a nephew of E. F. Brown and the latter has heard that he is comfortable, but is not yet out of danger.

An Evening Wedding.

One of the pleasantest social events of the season took place at the home of Mrs. George Goodall Wednesday evening, when Clara May Goodall and Josiah Parsons Wescott of Portland were united in marriage. Shortly after half past eight the bridal party consisting of the ushers, William Carlton, cousin of the bride and Everett Wescott brother of the groom, the bridesmaid Miss Rebecca Bullard, the best man Herman Wescott, brother of the groom, and the bride and groom, descended the stairs and entered the parlor to the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march, where Rev. Dr. Edward T. Fairbanks received them. The service was both unique and impressive, the originality of the bride's pastor making it one long to be remembered by those present. Music was furnished during the ceremony by B. Frank Harris, J. D. Partridge and J. W. Batchelder.

The bride was becomingly attired in white silk trimmed with chiffon, wore a white tulle veil fastened at the front with a beautiful opal and emerald pin the gift of the groom, and carried a handsome bouquet of lilies of the valley. After the ceremony the company was invited to a delicious lunch presided over by Mrs. Chandler and Mrs. Winthrop Blodgett assisted by Miss Agnes Bullard and Miss Caroline Weeks.

The decorations by Miss Rebecca Bullard, were very effective, hemlock, holly and bitter-sweet being used in great profusion. In the parlor, the evergreen was festooned from the electrolier to the corners of the room and to the window where the ceremony was performed, and was laid in such a manner as to form a beautiful drapery.

About 50 relatives and friends were present and the happy couple were the recipients of many handsome and valuable gifts. Among those from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Wescott, Mr. and Mrs. George Wescott, Mr. and Mrs. William Chandler of Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fletcher of Burlington; Mrs. Charles Carlton of Waterville, Me., and Mrs. Richardson of West Concord.

Mrs. Wescott has long been a resident of St. Johnsbury, where she has taken an active part in all the social events and is held in high esteem by all who know her. For the past eight years she has been a popular clerk in Lougee Bros. & Smyth's store, where she was always a polite and obliging saleswoman. Mr. Wescott is a traveling salesman for the firm of Hoister, Shaw & Co. of Portland and has traveled through here for several years, making many warm friends by his kind and genial ways.

Mr. and Mrs. Wescott left Thursday for Montreal, amid the well wishes of hosts of friends, where they will spend a two weeks' wedding trip, after which they will be at home at 80 Main street.

Vermont Dairy School.

The eighth annual session of the dairy school of the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College will open January 9th, continuing four weeks. Thorough instruction is offered in handling separators, ripening cream, making butter, testing milk, pasteurization and general dairying. Three courses of lectures are offered. Five instructors will be in service, including in the butter room R. F. Jaynes of Ryegate, who has taken in the last five years more prizes than any other butter maker in the state. No tuition charges or fees are made, and no entrance examinations are required. Reduced fare is offered upon the principal railroads. The entire expense for board etc., for four weeks need not exceed twenty dollars.

It is confidently asserted that nowhere in New England can more be learned about modern dairying in the same space of time than at this school. Its capacity is limited to fifty. Many names are already ready to apply. Those desiring to attend should apply promptly to Prof. J. L. Hills, Burlington, Vt.

Church Notes.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Old Fellows' block. Sunday morning service at 10.45. Subject "Christian Science." Sunday school after the morning service. Wednesday evening meeting at 7.30.

Not far from five hundred people listened to Rev. Art. Trye's closing lecture, in the present course, last Sunday evening at Grace Methodist church. A new course will be announced next week.
The variety supper given by the ladies of Grace Methodist church last Friday, was a success in every way. The supper was first class, the patronage large, and the profits pleasing. During the evening, Mrs. Maude Randall sang two solos, which were finely rendered and Mrs. F. A. Field and Mrs. C. E. Gray played duets which were greatly enjoyed.

Contributions for the improvements on the Railroad street Baptist church building have come in well and only about \$50 remains unpledged for meeting all bills and expenses to the end of the year. The pastor is very anxious that the church shall begin the new year, at least, without any deficit in the treasury. The committee on the Christmas festival for Saturday evening, Dec. 24, will be at the church after one o'clock p. m. of that day to take care of all presents brought in. All are cordially invited to participate in the festivities.

Owing to the illness of Rev. Mr. Mill last Sunday Elisha May read the service at St. Andrew's. It is expected a supply will be provided for Christmas day.

—Christmas holly at Randall's drug store.

Church Building Society.

Last Sunday morning Rev. George A. Hood of Boston, New England field secretary of the Congregational Church Building Society, spoke of the work of the society in the North Congregational church, and in the evening at the South Congregational church. His text was, 1 Chron. 22:19. "Arise, therefore, and build ye the sanctuary of the Lord God." He said that ever since God built the tabernacle in the wilderness all forms of the true religion must have their churches, and, indeed, all false religions must have their temples. Congregationalists are the only ones who have organized 200 churches, more or less, and have built only a few more than 100 per year.

The church, like every other line of business, needs an equipment to succeed. If we can aid the young church to build, the new settlers will attend, will give 50 cents or \$1 or \$2 to make it self-supporting; and the future character of the new town can be moulded by the church. Thus the Congregational Church Building Society helps the young churches of the Congregational Home Missionary Society and of the American Missionary Association among the dark races.

We aid them by three funds—the grant fund, the loan fund and the parsonage loan fund; the money is paid back to be used over and over, the loans every five years, the grants irregularly by contributions. Every dollar is secured by first mortgage and insurance policy, therefore there is no loss. The aid pays only last bills, therefore the missionary church will be out of debt. The society has always paid every dollar when due, therefore donors to the annuity fund may be sure of their annuity.

If we aid a church to build, a revival follows soon, and many earnest young men are saved in this way in the new town, new life, new habits. A Minnesota church took home missionary aid for five years without a sign of success, but when the Church Building Society gave it \$500 to pay last bills on a \$1600 church a revival began with the dedication and fourteen young men were converted.

Then comes self-support. One Minnesota church expected every year for five years to give up home missionary aid; the sixth year it got \$500 from the Church Building Society on a \$4000 church, and has been self-supporting ever since; a good way to save home missionary money; but why could not the Church Building Society have aided that church five years before and saved \$1500 home missionary money? For lack of money.

Often the Church Building Society has to cut down an application of a church forcing it to a hard struggle to pay up; then the church must have more aid from the Home Missionary Society the next year because they emptied their pockets on the building; and the extra expense to the Home Missionary Society proves to be more than the amount the Church Building Society cut them down.

Thus by prompt payment of bills revival and self-support, we see that every \$1000 given to the Congregational Church Building Society will save \$1000 to the Congregational Home Missionary Society in about three years.

Business Notes.

Arthur C. Randall is carrying a large line of holly for the Christmas trade.

Albert Shaw has just opened a barber shop at No. 69 Railroad street and has engaged George N. Smart of Peacham, formerly of St. Johnsbury, to work for him. In connection with the shop is a pool room and hot lunches will be served at all times. The shop is nicely fitted up and will receive a large patronage.

Mrs. Abbie M. McNeil has taken the agency for dress skirts and under-skirts, representing the Security Co. of Weedsport, N. Y.

F. G. Bundy as trustee has advertised a big clearance sale of the large and varied stock of goods in Bingham's drug store. Many of the goods are sold at a great discount from former prices and a rare chance for bargains is offered.

The Brooks-Tyler store is open every evening this week except Wednesday night. Many of the other stores keep open every night this week.

At the Opera House.

The Jessie Harcourt Comedy Company is giving a week's engagement at the Opera House to small but well-pleased audiences. On Monday night "The Hand of Fate" was presented, which is a comedy drama in four acts and gives Miss Harcourt a good opportunity to display her talent. Charles K. Harris as leading man is very entertaining, and being supported by a first class company the play was very satisfactory. Pleasing specialties were introduced between each act, which gave the people a continuous performance from 8 o'clock to 10.30.

Window Display.

W. B. Eastman has a novel and very pretty window display in his drug store, consisting of a small Ferris wheel on which are displayed perfumes and other novelties suitable for Christmas gifts. The wheel is run by an electric motor and attracts a good deal of attention.

Field and Rowell's windows are bright with Christmas attractions and their store is well filled this year with suitable holiday gifts. In making an inspection of the local stores do not fail to visit this one.